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As one who has struggled to keep my system(s) working, in spite of Microsofts deliberate attempts to sabotage any other OS, I disagree with the proposed settlement.

My problems with MS goes back to the days of Digital Research DOS, where every minor fix to Win 3.0 would cause it to no longer work with DR DOS until Digital Research provided a patch. In one case, and the code was actually posted on a BBS (sure wish I could have copied it) that did NOTHING but check to see if MS DOS was being used before it would start Win 3.X.

This practice has continued by MS to the present day, not withstanding the legal problems that have been on-going. JAVA is a very good example that your department should use to judge that they have no intention of becoming anti everything that does not have MS income potential.

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